



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **KATO, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1642**

Serial No.: **09/340,196**

Examiner: **Anne L. Holleran**

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For: **METHOD FOR MEASURING THYROGLOBULIN**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 3, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **April 8, 2004**, extended to **August 8, 2004**, by a **two-month** Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 19 of this paper.